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SIMON DONNELLY ET AL.  
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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Dear Sir:

This Request is in response to an Office Action, dated September 25, 2002, mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The Office Action set a shortened statutory period for response to expire on December 25, 2002. This Request is being filed within one (1) month(s) of the shortened statutory period for response.

A petition for a one (1) month extension of time is enclosed herewith. Per the petition, Applicants invoke the benefit of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 to secure a one (1) month extension up to and including January 25, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due, or credit any overcharge, as a result of this Request to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.